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Jeffrey Epstein’s model agent friend charged with raping teenager in 1990s

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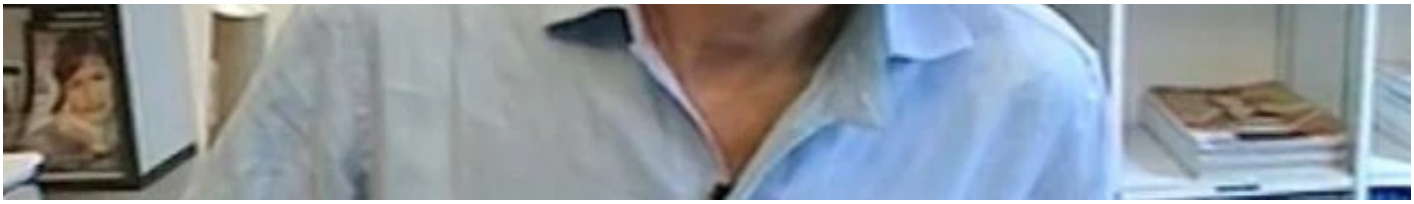

Jean-Luc Brunel, 75, is already on remand over alleged attacks on Virginia Giuffre (Picture: BFMTV)

A French model agency boss accused of sharing an under-age sex slave with Prince Andrew has been charged with raping a teenager.

Jean-Luc Brunel, 75, is already on remand in Paris over alleged attacks on Virginia Giuffre, the 38-year-old suing the Duke of York over sex assault claims.

Brunel — said to have supplied girls for Andrew's billionaire sex-trafficker friend Jeffrey Epstein — has now been charged with raping a young model when she was 17 in the late 1990s.

Now in her 40s and living in the US, she told magistrates Brunel raped her in her Paris home after her drink was spiked in a nightclub.

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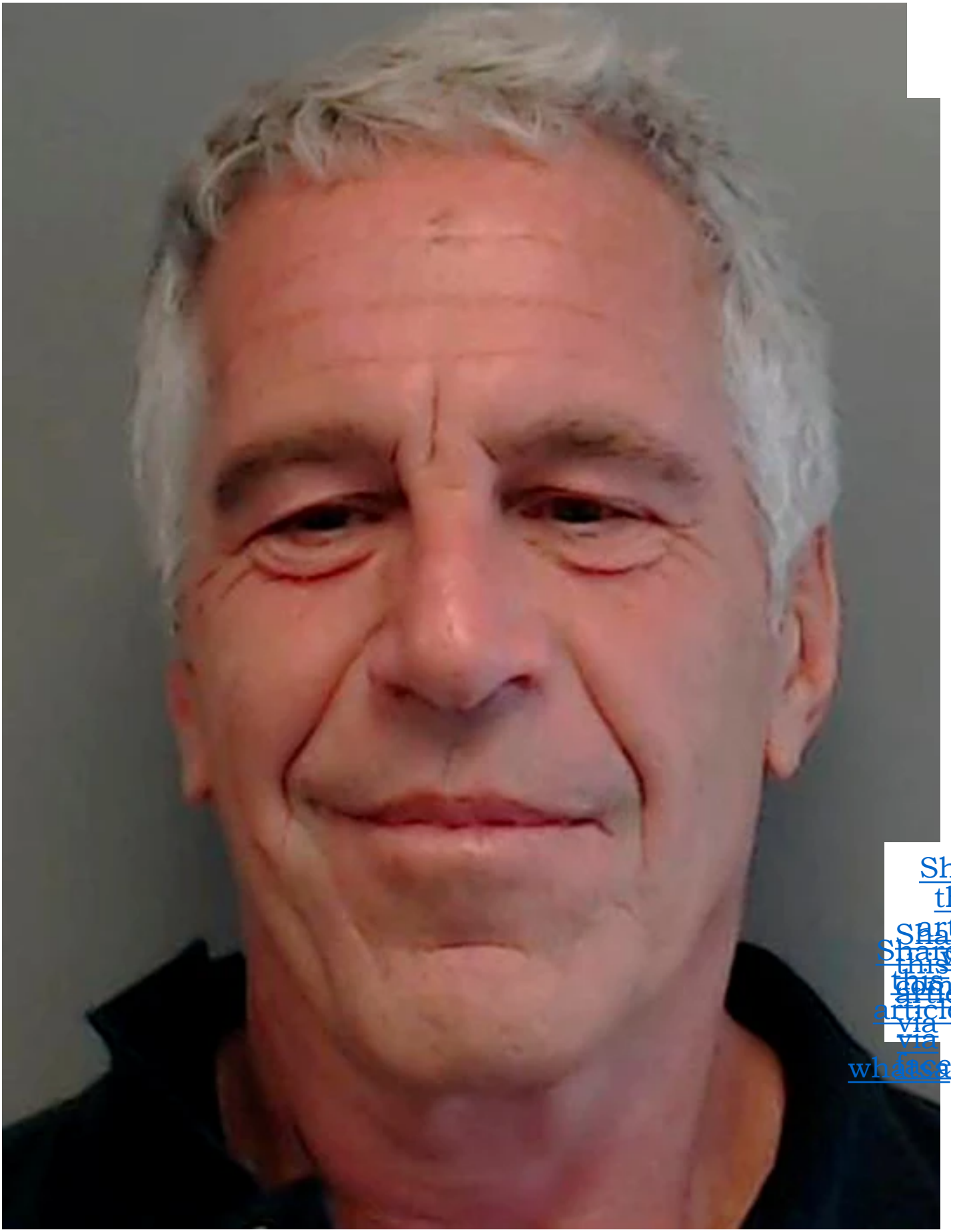
Brunel has worked with stars such as Jerry Hall and Sharon Stone and was arrested at an airport carrying a one-way ticket to Dakar in West Africa last December.

Dozens of women have accused him of assaults. Like Andrew, 61, he vehemently denies any wrongdoing.

Ms Giuffre has launched a civil action in New York claiming she was forced to sleep with the duke three times at the age of 17 — under the US age of consent — when she was Epstein's sex slave.



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Virginia Giuffre has launched a civil action in New York (Picture: Getty)

Prince Andrew, who denies any wrongdoing, and Virginia Roberts, aged 17 (Picture: REX)

The High Court has agreed to serve papers from her lawyer David Boies, giving the duke 21 days to respond to the claims.

Andrew's attorney Andrew Brettler told a judge the lawsuit was 'non-viable and potentially unlawful', saying Ms Giuffre signed away her right to sue in a legal deal with Epstein in 2009.

The convicted paedophile sex-trafficker killed himself in prison in 2019.

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